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4 Confirmation No. 3844
5 Inventorship Charles Wu
6 Assignee Microsoft Corporation
Group Art Unit 2151
Examiner Andrew Caldwell
Attorney's Docket No. MS1-347US
Title: System and Method for Synchronizing Objects Between Two Devices

7 **INTERVIEW SUMMARY FOR INTERVIEW DATED MARCH 24, 2004**
8 **REQUIRED UNDER 37 CFR 1.133(b)**

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17 **ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

18 Interview With Examiner of March 24, 2004

19 Case: 09/326,163 (MS1-347US) "System and Method for synchronizing
20 Objects Between Two Devices"

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24 **ISSUES DISCUSSED**

25 This summary comprises a complete and proper recordation of the
substance of the interview as defined in MPEP § 713.04.

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2 Brief description of the nature of any exhibit shown or any demonstration
3 conducted:

4 -Proposed Claim 1.

5 Identification of the claims discussed:

6 -Claim 1 and claim 29.

7 Identification of specific prior art discussed:

8 -No specific references discussed.

9 Identification of the principal proposed amendments of a substantive nature
10 discussed:

11 Examiner concludes that proposed amendments to claim 1 would
12 overcome the prior 35 USC 112 rejection, but that the "prevention" step in
13 proposed claim 1 would still be broad enough to read on a manually
14 implemented method of preventing deletion of objects during a
15 synchronization.

16 A general indication of any other pertinent matters discussed:

17 Applicant states that former preamble of claim 1 just shows state of
18 prior art; Examiner states that former word "occasionally" drew the 35
19 USC 112 rejection.

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21 Respectfully submitted,

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